

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PROBATION DEPARTMENT

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

# **ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDING UNDER THE JUVENILE JUSTICE CRIME PREVENTION ACT AND THE YOUTHFUL OFFENDER BLOCK GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 FROM THE BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

### **SUBJECT**

Authorization to apply for and accept funding under the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) and Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20 from the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC).

### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer or her designee to finalize the County of Los Angeles (County) Application for Continuation Funding of the consolidated JJCPA-YOBG Program (Program), submit final documents to the BSCC by May 1, 2019.
- 2. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer or her designee to accept JJCPA funding for FY 2019-20 estimated at \$28,000,000 and YOBG funding for FY 2019-20 estimated at \$30,000,000 from BSCC.
- 3. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer or her designee to negotiate, execute, amend, modify, terminate, and/or extend agreements with agencies to provide services consistent with the Program, upon approval as to form by County Counsel.
- 4. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer or her designee to utilize any interest or unspent Program funds available in FY 2019-20 on qualifying Program expenses.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain Board approval to authorize the Chief Probation Officer or her designee to apply for and accept funding to continue the implementation of the Program. The BSCC requires that the County of Los Angeles Probation Department's (Probation) Application for FY 2019-20 Program funding be submitted to them by May 1, 2019. The recommended actions will also delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer or her designee to negotiate, execute, amend, modify, terminate, and/or extend agreements with agencies to continue these efforts, as required by the Program. In addition, the Chief Probation Officer or her designee will be authorized to utilize interest and unspent Program funds available in FY 2019-20 on allowable Program expenses. The JJCPA component of the Program is the result of a multi-agency effort of the Los Angeles County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC). Consistent with the BSCC's requirements, the JJCC has continued to meet to coordinate and oversee the implementation of the JJCPA component of the Program.

For FY 2019-20, Probation's JJCPA funding allocation is estimated at \$28,000,000 and YOBG funding allocation is estimated at \$30,000,000, however, until the Legislature sends the Governor a budget, the BSCC cannot guarantee or identify specifics regarding the FY 2019-20 funding amount for JJCPA or YOBG.

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The recommended actions are consistent with the County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan Goal III: Realize Tomorrow's Government Today. Specifically, it will address Strategy IIB to Pursue Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility, and Accountability, as Probation continues to evaluate the Program funded services based on results.

### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

For FY 2019-20, Probation's JJCPA funding allocation is estimated at \$28,000,000 and YOBG funding allocation is estimated at \$30,000,000 pending approval of the County's Application. There is no match requirement or net County cost associated with the Program. The County must adhere to Program requirements regarding the expenditure of said funds.

### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

For FY 2019-20, Probation's estimated allocation, pending the adoption of a final budget by the State and BSCC's approval of the Application, is \$28,000,000 for JJCPA and \$30,000,000 for YOBG.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Funding will allow for the continued implementation of the Program that addresses the critical problem of mental health needs of probationers, provides community-level prevention and intervention strategies that target high-risk neighborhoods, and focuses on achieving school success for probationers and at-risk youth. These services are currently provided through the collaborative efforts of government agencies and community-based organizations. Additionally, Program funding will provide specialized and individualized services and supervision to high-risk youth who formerly

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could have received confinement in a state juvenile justice facility. Probation intends to leverage programs funded by the YOBG with the JJCPA programs to provide evidence-based programs and services to probationers identified with high needs for special services.

Respectfully submitted,

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